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IT IS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED THAT YET ANOTHER GERMAN BOMBER WAS SHOT DOWN OFF THE NORTH OF SCOTLAND YESTERDAY.

The bomber, a Heinkel, was intercepted by R.A.F. aircraft off the north Scottish coast in the afternoon and was shot down in the sea.

This is the forty-fifth German raider to be shot down over or near the British Isles since the beginning of the war.—Reuter.

Two Neutral Ships Sunk By Nazi Planes

London, To-day.
Three Dutch and three Belgian ships were attacked in the North Sea by Nazi planes, and two of the former, one of 2,000 tons, the other of 900 tons, are feared sunk with all hands.

The others were attacked, but not sunk.—Reuter.

Liverpool Ship Sunk

London, To-day.
The Liverpool steamer Counsellor (5,068 tons) is reported to have been sunk by enemy action off the north-west coast.

The crew were landed at a north-west port.—Reuter.

Trawlers Machine-Gunned

London, To-day.
Three trawlers returned to an East Coast port yesterday and landed four men injured on Thursday in attacks by the German air force.

One man, the skipper of his vessel, was seriously injured by machinegun bullets in the back.—Reuter.

Another Lightship Attacked

LONDON, TO-DAY.
NAZI AEROPLANES, ON THURSDAY, ATTACKED ANOTHER LIGHTSHIP OFF THE NORTH COAST OF BRITAIN. NEWS OF THIS WAS ONLY RECEIVED LATE YESTERDAY WHEN THE SHIP, WHICH HAD NO MEANS OF COMMUNICATION WITH THE SHORE, RETURNED TO PORT.

Little damage was done, but one man was suffering from shock.

A number of British trawlers were also attacked on Thursday night by

Sweden's Great Responsibility

PARIS, TO-DAY.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE WILL EXERCISE NO PRESSURE UPON FINLAND, IT WAS STATED IN WELL-INFORMED CIRCLES LAST EVENING.

If Finland wishes a continuation of Allied aid she has only to make an appeal to which the Allies are ready to respond.

It is felt that the Swedish Government has assumed great responsibility in the face of its own public opinion and the opinion of the world.

It is added by her geographical position it is understood she has brought great pressure to bear on Finland, and has hinted at a cessation of the present indirect aid.

The Russian demands amount to placing Finland in the position of Czecho-Slovakia after Munich.

"Le Temps" writes: "It is for the Finns to decide. They should remember that Britain and France are ready to furnish greater and more direct aid."

"They ought to recall also — and so ought all peoples now hesitating on the edge of war — that one cannot apportion a flood and that henceforth the German peril is inseparable from the Russian peril." — Reuter.

French Views Swinging Towards Direct Aid

Paris, To-day.

The military commentator, Gen. Duval, writing in "Le Journal," declares that the Allied troops are fully able to enter Finland without violating Swedish or Norwegian territory or provoking German intervention.

U.S. AND MEDIATION

Washington, To-day.

Reports that the United States might be asked to mediate in the Russo-Finnish war prompted a State Department official to say yesterday that the United States Government hitherto had not received any request formally or informally to mediate.

The official added that the State Department was following the reports of peace prospects with the greatest interest but was doing nothing more than that. — Reuter.

Nazi planes, but they escaped in the darkness by extinguishing their lights.

Four men were taken to hospital suffering from bullet-wounds.—Reuter.

PASSIKIVI GOING TO MOSCOW?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Stockholm, To-day.

The possibility was mentioned yesterday that M. Rytli, the Finnish Premier, and M. Passikivi, the former Finn negotiator in Moscow, who are now in Stockholm, might leave for Moscow.

The Swedish Foreign Minister declared to the "Nya Dagbladet" that he strongly warned public opinion to beware of rumour circulated about the Finnish situation as many of them were untrue and biased.—Havas.

RIBBENTROP TRIP

Berlin, To-day.

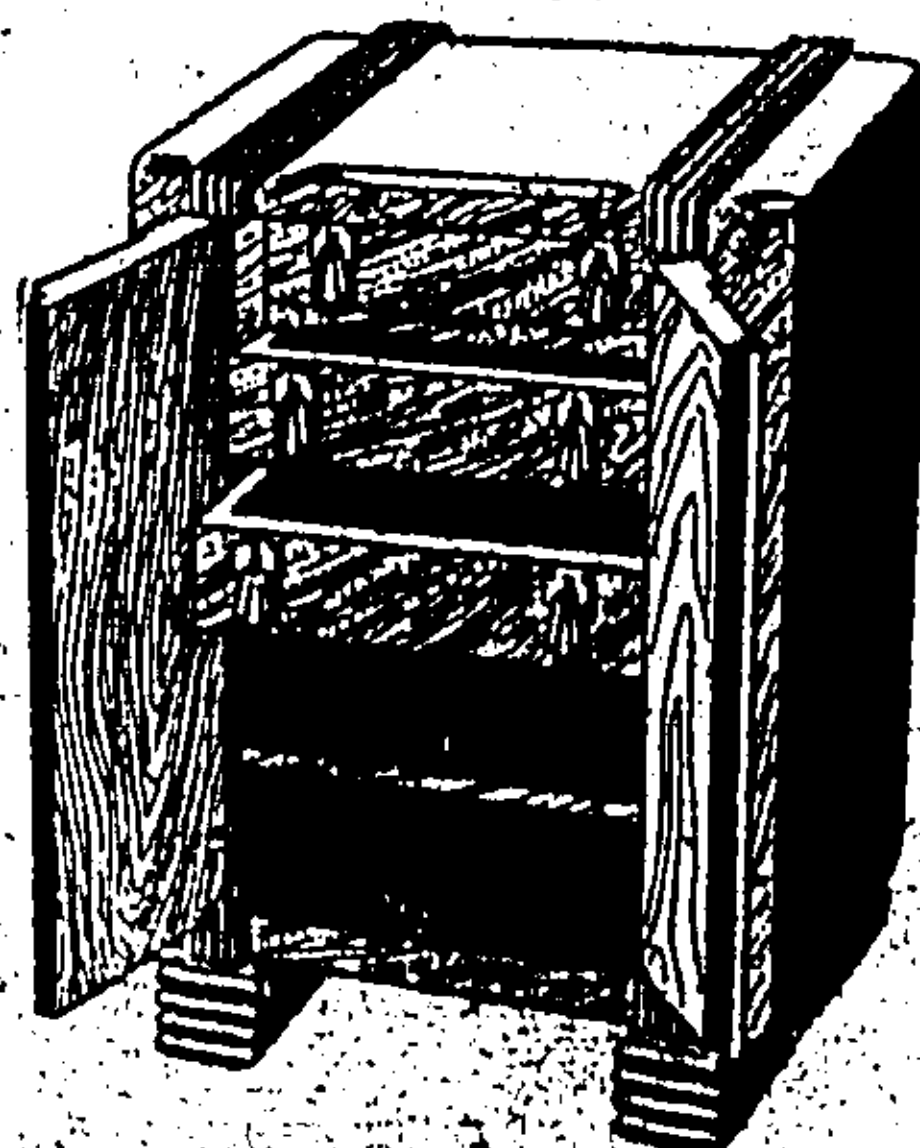
Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Nazi Foreign Minister, is going to Rome for a short visit to-day (Saturday), it is announced here.

According to the German wireless von Ribbentrop will discuss current problems with Signor Mussolini and Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister.—Reuter.

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"The only way to bring about the defeat of Germany is by overwhelming blows on land and sea and in the air."

The President-elect of the Federation of British Industries, Colonel Lord Dudley Gordon, stated this in London.

"Economic warfare cannot be final except, perhaps, after a long period of years," he added.

"Nevertheless, our trade effort can have immeasurable results. Many of us have been accustomed to think of trade as something which flourishes in peace and languishes in time of war.

"That does not apply in the present advantageous position of Britain, and we should do all that is possible to eliminate the feeling of doubt abroad that we cannot maintain our export trade."

The tendency of other countries to look on Britain as in the front line of the war and unable to continue ordinary trade activities was due to German propaganda, he told a meeting of the Incorporated Sales Managers Association.

IT WILL BE A HARD WAR—
SIR N. HENDERSON

It is going to be a hard war. It will last a long time. It is a war in which everyone must help wholeheartedly.

Thus Sir Neville Henderson, ex-British Ambassador in Berlin, warned Britain in a speech at Seaforth Lines. Britain had a great economic ad-

vantage, he said, but there was not going to be any early collapse in Germany. Wishful thinking would not win a war.

We would have to get 20s. out of every pound, for Germany, highly organised was getting a mark for every mark.

He described an incident illustrating Field-Marshal Goering's passion for conserving every scrap of material likely to help Germany.

He said he was with Goering in his private train in Germany and the metal stopper of a bottle fell on the floor.

It looked as if it would be overlooked, but Goering ordered a servant to pick it up, remarking that Germany fed a hundred thousand pigs from the proceeds of used metal bottle-stoppers.

CRUSH BULLYING BY GERMANS—
AIR CHIEF

"So long as the German people allow themselves to be dominated and ruled by their present leaders, then so long must we hold the German people to their share of responsibility for war.

"So long as this continues, we must fight for a peace which is going to prevent those two German characteristics—bullying domination or supine weakness—from being allowed to threaten world peace in the future."

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WHY DOES R.A.F. FLY OVER NAZI BASES WITHOUT ATTACKING?

— ASKS "DAILY MAIL"

London, To-day.
MOST OF THE BRITISH PRESS yesterday was concerned with the Commons statement by Air Minister Sir Kingsley Wood about the expansion of the Air Force. Satisfaction is expressed and it is stressed that his statement that the Allies were now producing more and better 'planes than Germany is of the utmost importance.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that this augurs a growing and decisive preponderance in the air as time goes on, particularly when the full resources of the Empire are brought into effect.

"The Times" thinks it is a pity that the Air Minister could make only a brief reference to Finland. "The Times" says that it is difficult to believe that more 'planes cannot be spared for Finland without endangering the success of the war effort elsewhere.

The "Daily Telegraph" says that he has not completely satisfied critics on the question of Air Force/Navy co-operation and stresses Admiral Keyes remark that where ships and 'planes are working together the sole control should be in the hands of the Admiralty.

On this point, the "Manchester Guardian" comments:—"If the Navy needs more 'planes they should, and must, be forthcoming."

Both the "Guardian" and the "Daily Mail" disagree with the Air Minister on the subject of civil aviation. The former says that civil aviation is entitled to the same consideration not only after but during the war.

QUESTIONS POSED

The "Daily Mail" says:—"We do not share the Minister's view that civil aviation must inevitably be retarded because of the war."

The paper also poses some questions it thinks the Air Minister should answer:—

1. Why do our 'planes fly over German naval bases without attacking them?

2. Is the R.A.F. thoroughly prepared to resist the expected Spring attacks?

The "Daily Express" says that the British people will be satisfied only when we have achieved the mastery of the air as completely as we have the sea.—Reuter.

BRITISH TROOPS IN FRENCH ALPS

London, To-day.
Several hundred British soldiers are now at Chamonix, in the French Alps, for training as ski-soldiers. Many well-known skiers are amongst them and they will be trained by French military skiers.—Reuter.

***Chamonix lies in the valley of the same name, at an altitude of 3,416 feet. A noted tourist resort, it is the chief starting point for the ascent of Mont Blanc.

MAGNETIC MINE COUNTERED

LONDON, TO-DAY.
HUNDREDS OF BRITISH MERCHANT VESSELS AND NAVAL SHIPS HAVE BEEN EQUIPPED WITH NON-MAGNETIC EQUIPMENT AGAINST THE NAZI MAGNETIC MINES. THE EXISTENCE OF THIS EQUIPMENT WAS FIRST REVEALED WHEN THE QUEEN ELIZABETH ARRIVED IN NEW YORK.

Basically, the equipment consists of a length of wire around the ship, through which electricity is passed, making it non-magnetic.

A ship so equipped does not set the mines off, and it is revealed that none of the ships fitted so far have been lost.

It only takes a few days to install.—Reuter.

DUBLIN MUNICIPAL STRIKE

Dublin, To-day.
The Government of Eire intervened yesterday in the strike of the Dublin municipal workers, who have been "out" now for a week.

The city manager of Dublin was ordered to take immediate steps to collect a staff to maintain the essential services.

A Government spokesman in the Dail said that no sympathy strike by dock-workers would be allowed to interfere with the country's vital export trade.—Reuter.

MEDICAL AID FOR CHINA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

New York, To-day.
The American Bureau for Medical Aid to China has collected \$550,000 for the purchase of pharmaceutical products for China. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, President of the Bureau, announced yesterday.—Havas.



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GALLANT H.K. RESCUE

Indian Constable And Ambulance Worker Enter Blazing Building For Two Children

SUMNER WELLES

TALKS WITH PARTY LEADERS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Paris, To-day.

Mr. Sumner Welles yesterday morning visited first M. Jules Jeanneney, president of the Senate, and then M. Edouard Herriot, president of the Chamber of Deputies.

Mr. Welles then conversed with M. Leon Blum, leader of the Socialists, before lunching privately at the American Embassy.—Havas.

FLYING TO LONDON

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Sumner Welles had another busy day yesterday. In the morning he had a conversation with M. Edouard Herriot and also with the Senate president and M. Leon Blum.

He had a half hour talk with M. Chautemps and then saw M. Georges Bonnet.

To-day Mr. Welles lunches with M. Paul Reynaud, the Finance Minister.

When he flies to London on Sunday he will have an escort of French warplanes.—Reuter.

IN THE "GAZETTE"

The following official appointments etc. are gazetted:—

Mr. T. K. Abbott to be Inspector of Schools.

Mr. B. C. K. Hawkins to be Labour Officer.

Major R. E. Moody to be a member of the Compulsory Service Tribunal.

Dr. Tseng Fat-im to be a member of the Nutrition Research Committee.

Mr. G. S. Kennedy-Skipton to act as District Officer in the Southern District of the N.T.

Miss M. E. Black to be a Nursing Sister.

BIG FIRE LAST NIGHT IN LOCAL RESTAURANT

A GALLANT RESCUE of two children, trapped on the second floor of a blazing building in Aberdeen Street was carried out by an Indian constable and an ambulance worker early this morning when a fire broke out in the Peiping Restaurant.

Rushing up to the second floor of the adjoining building which was threatened by the conflagration and enveloped in smoke, the two men, with wet handkerchiefs tied across their noses, crept along the verandah and crossed to the blazing building.

Each with a child clasped with one arm while with the other they guided themselves back to safety, they later handed the children to the parents in the street below, while loud cheers broke out from the watching crowd.

The Indian Constable was No. B148 and the ambulance worker, Wan Tsung-wei.

The fire broke out in the kitchen of the restaurant, at No. 5, Aberdeen Street at 11.50 p.m. last night causing a general stampede among the customers.

The inmates of the first and second floors were awakened, by the blowing of police whistles and rushed, clad only in bed-clothes, into the streets.

BUILDING BADLY DAMAGED

The fire engines arrived on the scene a few minutes later, but it was some time before they could get hoses into action.

Meanwhile the fire spread to the first and second floors.

Suddenly from the crowd a shout went up that two children had been left behind on the second floor. The constable and the ambulance worker then effected the rescue.

At 1.30 a.m. the fire was extinguished, but the building was badly damaged.

GERMAN AUDACITY

ANKARA, TO-DAY.

THE TURKISH NEWSPAPER "CUMHURİYET" SAYS: "THE VICTIMS OF THE LAST WAR ENDEAVOURED TO SET GERMANY ON HER FEET, BUT THE NAZIS HAVE NOT LENT THEMSELVES TO A SINCERE AGREEMENT; INSTEAD, FEELINGS OF REVENGE AND THIRST FOR GLORY PROMPTED THEM TO COMMIT VIOLENT ACTIONS."

"Not men but only hyenas or wolves could approve of a nation which, after ravaging surrounding countries, asserts it acted with a view to safeguarding its right to exist."

The "Aksham" states: "Reading the German statement on the results of the first six months of war one wonders whether it is serious or humorous."

"To issue such an optimistic bulletin to a nation faced by a thousand difficulties, even with the intention to increase the morale of the people, argues considerable audacity."—Reuter.

ARABS AND LAND REGULATION

Cairo, To-day.

The newspaper "Al Balagh" discussing the ban on land sales in Palestine, says the new scheme is a step in applying the policy announced after the last Palestine Conference which, though a failure, did not prevent the realisation of part of the Arab demands.

"The British Government's promise to limit land sales is an important gain for the Arabs. It is only fair for us to say it is a wise and praiseworthy action of the British Government, coming at an appropriate time."—Reuter.

SOVIETS NOT IN REVOLT

Reports of a widespread plot against Stalin are much exaggerated. There is no revolt in Russia, writes the Diplomatic Correspondent of the "Sunday Dispatch."

But there is growing dissatisfaction. In spite of censorship, rumours are reaching the Russian public of reverses in Finland, of concessions to Germany in Galician Poland, and pressure in Moscow of German military and technical experts.

A bad impression is being made by mounting casualties, and Soviet authorities are trying to keep the casualty lists dark. The wounded are being kept in the Leningrad district.

OPPOSITION

Opposition to the link-up with Germany is growing, even among members of the Communist Party.

There are differences between Moscow and Berlin on the supplies of oil from Polish Galicia, now occupied by Russia.

Germany is now demanding that she should participate technically in obtaining oil from the wells in the Caucasus. Russia, however, is reluctant to agree to this.

GERMANY'S PLAN

Here is news about a new Nazi plan:

A working agreement between Germany-Italy-Japan is being proposed by the German Government. Those Nazis who want to keep friendly with Italy and Japan instead of the out-and-out alliance with Russia have obtained Hitler's consent.

Their proposal is that old relations of Germany with Italy and Japan should be restored in case the Russo-German agreement fails to produce the results Germany wants.

They also see the possibility of a settlement of differences between the three countries, with a view to an eventual German-Russian-Italian-Japanese line-up.

POLITICAL TALKS

Negotiations have been proceeding in Tokio and Budapest. Political and economic aspects have been discussed.

Germany approached Japan soon after the war started and suggested that Moscow and Tokio should be friendly, on the grounds that Britain, rather than Russia, was Japan's "real enemy."

The Nazis suggested that while Britain was busy in the West, Japan could win her possessions in the Far East — if first Japan came to an agreement with Russia.

SYLT DAM TORPEDOED?

A new theory, advanced by the Danes, to explain the mystery explosions at the Hindenburg dam connecting Sylt with the mainland is that the damage may have been done by torpedoes, fired from submarines.

They claim that torpedoes from short range would be sufficient to disrupt the railway communications between the island of Sylt and the mainland.

Recently the Admiralty announced the loss of three British submarines, Starfish, Spadix and Unken, stating they had been engaged in particularly hazardous work.

On January 21 it was reported from Denmark that 100 British and German planes fought for many hours over Sylt, but the R.A.F. denied that it had taken part.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



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EIGHT OFFICERS OF THE R.A.F. DECORATED: TWO MEDALS FOR MALAYAN BOY

London, To-day.

EIGHT OFFICERS OF THE R.A.F. have been awarded decorations. Qualities of leadership were displayed by one of the officers as flight-commander of a squadron employed on long-distance day and night strategical reconnaissances.

Another officer on one occasion pursued an enemy aircraft for 20 minutes, finally forcing it to land and fall into Allied hands.

A third officer intercepted an enemy aircraft over the English Channel and shot it down in flames.

Two officers have been pioneers in a new method of aerial photography. Four sergeants receive the Distinguished Flying Medal, several being described as skilful observers and navigators.

One receives a decoration for good work during the raid on Wilhelmshaven, when his aircraft scored a direct hit on a German battleship, and for his conduct in the engagement over the North Sea on January 10 between nine Blenheims and five Messerschmidts.

IN INTENSE COLD

A wireless operator among the recipients was the first member of his squadron to carry out a second reconnaissance over enemy territory, flying in intense cold and over strongly defended zones.

It is stated his ability had a very good effect on the crews when the squadron had suffered heavy losses.

MALAYAN-BORN

Acting Flight-Lieutenant Robert Voase Jeff, who was born in Kuala Lumpur in 1913, is awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for gallantry and devotion to duty.

He was the first British airman to be decorated by the French, receiving the Croix de Guerre for a single-handed fight against two Heinkel machines on the western front. — Reuter.

R.A.F. VISIT TO POLAND

London, To-day.

Thursday's flight of the R.A.F. is the first over Poland to be announced by the Air Ministry. The machines flew 1,500 miles in a direct line to Posen, which is 50 miles within the border.

They also dropped coloured Verrey lights over Stettin and Leipzig, as well as thousands of leaflets over Poland itself as proof that they had been there and to instill fresh hope in the Polish people.

German searchlights were busier than German aeroplanes or anti-aircraft batteries, and all our planes returned to a base in France safe. — Reuter.

PATROL ACTIVITY INCREASING

Paris, To-day.

Patrols are more active along the Western Front, now that the weather has improved and there were clashes between French and Nazi patrols on the east bank of the Vosges on Thursday night. An enemy raid was repulsed. — Reuter.

ENCOUNTER NEAR VOSGES

Paris, To-day.

Last night's French communique said that in the morning an encounter took place on the western side of the Vosges between a French and a German party which ended to the French advantage. — Reuter.

SENTENCED WITH NURSE CAVELL, AIDS ALLIES

This is the story of an amazing coincidence, the characters in which are a French heroine of 1914-18—who was sentenced to die with Nurse Edith Cavell—and a soldier of France, 1940.

The story goes back to 1915 when Louise Thuliez, then a college professor, began to aid wounded and lost Allied soldiers who were hunted by the Germans.

She gave them food, shelter, clothes and money and handed them over to the care of Edith Cavell, who help them to escape through Holland.

In January, 1915, Louis Thuliez was arrested and sentenced to death, but the sentence was commuted to hard labour for life. Two months later she was condemned to death a second time with Edith Cavell.

She had the cell next to Edith Cavell in the Brussels prison. One morning Edith Cavell was taken from her cell and did not return.

Louise Thuliez awaited death next morning but her death sentence was again commuted to life imprisonment with hard labour.

In 1917 one of her companions died in giving birth to a son. The boy was reared by a fellow prisoner.

The story moves forward to this year.

SERVING AGAIN

Louise Thuliez is again helping the Allied soldiers, this time as a volunteer in the French Army devoting her skill and understanding to organising recreation centres.

On a tour of inspection she said she would like to visit a recreation hall. She noticed one soldier in particular.

This young soldier was the boy born to the companion of Louise Thuliez in 1917 while they were held in the German prison.

There was an affectionate reunion between the grey-haired heroine and the soldier.

RUSSIA'S NEW WEAPON IS MOLOTOV BREAD BASKET

Helsinki, February 7.

Russian planes dropped 6,800 bombs last week, in many cases to the accompaniment of machine-gun fire, on towns, villages and even small, remote hamlets behind the Finnish war front.

Some places were raided as often as nine times on the same day.

Civilians killed numbered 145, and 179 were wounded.

Among the buildings hit were six hospitals.

That is a summary of the latest report issued by the officer com-

"I FLED FROM MY PEOPLE"—COUNTESS

An attractive, red-haired Austrian countess at Marlborough-street (London) Police Court told how she tried to escape from her people, who followed her to Holland and Germany to persuade her to return home.

She is twenty-two-year-old Countess Edeltrud Claudette von Costenza.

Frederick George Wharton, thirty-four, clerk of Braemar-avenue, Wembley, was further remanded on bail charged with bigamously marrying the countess, who at a previous hearing said she gave him £25 or £30 for marrying her. He left her on the day of the marriage, she said.

Wharton denied ever going through a ceremony with the countess, and alleges that his birth certificate was obtained from him by a trick.

LEFT AS ENEMY

Cross-examined by Mr. T. Dawson, the countess said that for five years she tried to escape from her people, but they followed her to Holland and Germany to persuade her to go back home.

She said Wharton did not know she was the Countess von Costenza when the marriage took place. He knew her as Miss Claudette.

She wanted a British passport, she said, to avoid being sent to a concentration camp.

"I left Germany as an enemy," she said. "I and my friends did not agree with the party."

Her sole object in getting married in June, 1937, was to get a British passport. She denied that she knew Wharton was married.

"NOT A SPY"

She asked Wharton to tell the police that she was not a spy as people thought she was.

Mr. Dawson: Did you tell him to say to the police that he was the Count von Costenza?—No.

She said that except for passport purposes, she had not used the name of Wharton.

Mr. Alexander Christie, portrait painter, of Kensington, said he was a witness of the marriage and he identified Wharton as the man who married

LATEST R.A.F. CASUALTY LIST

London, To-day.

The names of 70 officers and men are given in the latest R.A.F. casualty list.

Among the missing is Group Captain H. A. Whistler, who was on board the air liner Hannibal which disappeared a week ago while flying from Calcutta to Alexandria.

The list includes the names of 10 killed in action, four missing believed killed in action, 11 missing, 23 killed on active service and 20 died on active service. — Reuter.

WORKLESS SEEK ARMS JOBS

Thousands of unemployed men are volunteering for immediate training for work in the engineering and metal industries as a result of the recruiting campaign of the Ministry of Labour and National Service.

Every employment exchange in the country is receiving large numbers of applications from men in many walks of life who are anxious to undergo training at once at one of the Government's training centres.

So keen is the demand in some areas that it has been necessary to make special staffing arrangements at the employment exchanges. Even with this extra help it has been impossible at a number of London exchanges to do more than take the names and addresses of applicants.

It is hoped, however, to place many of the men in actual training within a fortnight. In London there is a steady flow of 100 would-be recruits every day. Not all can be accepted. Although there is no upper age limit, some are obviously too old.

One retired clerical worker, living at Camden Town, who was insistent on his right to training as an engineer, was 81. Many other applicants have had to admit that they were well over 60.

The number of places for trainees at the moment is 15,000. It is expected, however, that 40,000 will be trained within 12 months.

Countess von Costenza. He saw that her marriage certificate was in another name.

LUXURIES OF RICH MUST GO BEFORE NECESSITIES OF POOR

London, To-day.

MR. C. R. ATTLEE, LEADER of the Labour Opposition, yesterday summed up our war aims as "The death of the Hitler spirit." This, he said, must precede any peace settlement.

manding Finland's A.R.P.

The report does not mention a new device employed by the Russian bombers, which has already been nicknamed "Molotov's Bread Basket."

This is an iron cylinder, 6ft. long and 3ft. in diameter, which contains 100 small incendiary bombs.

The cylinder breaks in mid-air, and the incendiaries are scattered over a wide area.

In one raid in Southern Finland the other day six bombers dropped one "Bread Basket" each, and these were sufficient to spray an area two miles long by 300 yards wide with fire.

"Before you can come to map-making you must come down to principles," he said. "We do not admit the German claim that they are a superior race, the Czechs and Poles second-class citizens and the Jews no citizens at all. Besides the Europeans, we claim a place in the sun for Africans and Indians as well."

With regard to sacrifices, he said that there was bound to be an increase in Government control. Many great industries were ripe for nationalization. He was quite sure the whole nation would accept the necessary sacrifices, but "the luxuries of the rich will have to go before the necessities of the poor." — Reuter.

SHROUDED IN MYSTERY

Truth About Finn-Soviet Peace Moves Obscure

SWEDISH PAPER CRITICAL OF INITIATIVE

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AS FAR AS BRITAIN IS CONCERNED, THE REPORTED FINNISH-SOVIET PEACE NEGOTIATIONS ARE STILL "SHROUDED IN MYSTERY."

Matters were carried a little further yesterday afternoon when the Swedish paper "Aftonbladet" reported a telephone conversation with Finnish Foreign Minister Tanner, quoting him as saying that the Finnish Government had been in contact with Moscow through a go-between. This contact had not been broken.

Apparently, the go-between was established, technically at any rate, in Stockholm, but reports from that city now state that the reported Finnish delegates, M. Passikivi and M. Svinhufud, have left.

The latter is said to be going to Italy for "a rest." M. Passikivi's destination is not mentioned.

Some reports bring Germany into the picture, especially in view of the reported conversation with Hitler and Ribbentrop a few days ago of Sven Hedin, the Swedish explorer. It has, of course, long been known that the Nazis would like the Finnish war to end, as it prevents their getting supplies from Russia, but the Nazis are not saying anything.

The Swedish newspaper "Social-Demokraten" says that it does not know whether or not Sweden took the initiative in the negotiations.

"The interest of Scandinavia are for an honourable peace," says the paper, "but if Finland cannot get an honourable peace it would be better for the war to go on."—Reuter.

Swedish Legation In Moscow Silent

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

The Swedish Legation here refuses to make any statement regarding the rumours of Swedish mediation in the Finnish war.

Competent Russian quarters declare they know nothing of the rumours, which they consider "hardly likely."—Havas.

Telephones Restored

Stockholm, To-day.

It was officially stated yesterday that telephone communication between Stockholm and other European capitals was to be restored last night.—Reuter.

German Silence

Amsterdam, To-day.

The German Government has not yet permitted any mention in the press of the Russo-Finnish peace negotiations.

The Nazi newspapers, however, are giving much prominence to reports from northern Europe accusing the Allies of preparing to land troops in Scandinavia.—Reuter.

Italian Press Welcome

Rome, To-day.

The Italian press welcomes the Russo-Finnish mediation attempts and sees in them the possibility of peace in Finland and the elimination of one danger to Europe as a whole.—Reuter.

BRITISH VOLUNTEERS IN FINLAND

London, To-day.

The Finnish Legation in London states that some of the British contingent of volunteers for Finland are already in that country and the rest will go as soon as possible.—Reuter.

ITALIAN SURVIVORS' STORIES

London, To-day.

The Italian ship *Amelia Lauro*, which was bombed and set on fire on Thursday night by Nazi planes, was carrying British coal to Italy.

One of the crew of 30 was killed, the others were saved but lost most of their possessions.

One member of the crew said:—

"We were not in convoy. We were showing many lights, in fact, we were all lights, and the flag could be seen clearly—but the plane attacked us from only 30 feet away."

Three of the rescued men were wounded.—Reuter.

CORONEL MINE DISASTER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

SANTIAGO, TO-DAY.

DETAILS OF THE CORONEL COAL MINE TRAGEDY SHOW THAT OVER 300 MINERS, WERE KILLED IN THE EXPLOSION AND THE ENSUING FIRE.

The disaster was the worst in the mining history of Chile. Out of 500 men working in the mines, 100 are safe, 98 are seriously injured and the remainder are either dead or missing. Damage is estimated at 300,000,000 pesos.

President Pedro Cerda Aguirre and other high officials have left Santiago for Coronel.—Havas.

EMERGENCY RAFTS NOW COMPULSORY

London, To-day.

Henceforth emergency rafts or similar appliances sufficient to carry all persons on board, must be carried on ships voyaging in waters around Britain, according to rules announced by the Minister of Shipping last night.—Reuter.

FRENCH WAR AID TO FINLAND

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

It is reported from a reliable source that France has already sent Finland 175 planes, 496 guns, 795,000 shells, 5,000 Lewis guns, 200,000 grenades and 20,000,000 cartridges.—Havas.

ATTACKS ON VIBORG CONTINUE ALL DAY

Helsinki, To-day.

A communique states that enemy pressure against the north-west shore of Viborg Bay continued all day but the attacks were repulsed.

The communique details attacks between Viborg Bay and Vuoksen, south of Vuosalmi, at Taipale and north-east of Lake Ladoga, and claims they were all repulsed.

It is stated that at Kollaanjoki the Russians left about 2,000 killed on the battlefield.—Reuter.

PEIPING FIRE LOSS

PEIPING, TO-DAY.

IT IS LEARNED THAT THE MAJORITY OF SHOPS IN PEIPING'S FAMOUS FLOWER STREET, WHICH WAS GUTTED BY FIRE, WERE UNDERWRITTEN BY FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES WHO WILL HAVE A TOTAL LOSS OF \$500,000 LOCAL CURRENCY.

British companies will pay out about \$200,000 of this sum.

The destruction through the fire also means a virtual stoppage of the trade in valuables such as jades, ivories and Peiping glass, for which Flower Street was the main centre and from which the majority of foreign exporters obtain supplies.

This is quite a serious blow to Peiping as curios and art objects are one of the few commodities which are still being exported.—Reuter.

IF MOVE FAILS

HELSINKI COMMENT: WHAT OF THE ARMY?

Stockholm, To-day.

Reports from Helsinki indicate that if the peace negotiations fail the Finns may exert every effort and take new initiatives with the aid of the promised foreign help.

The Finnish statesmen who have been in Stockholm have now left. Ex-President Svinhufud and M. Passikivi are also understood to have left.

Observers here say it is obvious that many others are involved beside members of the Finnish Government and the Soviet leaders.

There is, for instance, the Finnish army. The position of a government which agreed to terms not approved by the Finnish army would be difficult.

ALLIED ATTITUDE

There is the attitude of Sweden, Germany, and Britain and France. This last factor is one which is particularly occupying the attention of Sweden.

Meanwhile Finland's military situation does not seem entirely reassuring, despite the optimistic tone of the communiques.

If the negotiations break down, it is thought that Finland's existence must depend on the rapidity with which she receives effective foreign aid.—Reuter.

STRUCK BY A ROCK

A Chinese woman was seriously injured yesterday afternoon while cutting grass in the New Territories, when a large rock fell on her head. She was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital. Her condition is said to be serious.

WOMAN MURDERED

The corpse of a Chinese woman was found floating off Shek-O yesterday. The hands and feet were bound and there was a stab wound in the thigh.

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MIRROR OF WORLD OPINION

NAZI-SOVIET PACT

We saw the first fruit of the German-Russian accord in the Soviet's stab in the back at the Polish people in its greatest need. Then it was the turn of the Baltic States. And now we see in these days that what really happened that night at the Kremlin was that the Nazis delivered the northern people . . . to Bolshevism, that is, Russian imperialism. . . . We felt a warm inner joy, when Finland rose forth as an independent State, as the fourth free nation in the North. We admired their young heroes in the fight for freedom, even though we grieved over the civil war. This feeling is still stronger to-day. . . . They are fighting our battle, which perhaps we too must join in, not only with ideas but with our blood.

Bolshevism and Nazi-ism, which have sprung from the same root, are both irreconcilable enemies of the western culture, built on humanitarianism and Christian principles. . . . As long as despotism reigns within so many of the world's Great Powers, the world will not have any real peace.

It is time that we see clearly. Our life is at stake, our whole existence. Therefore it is vital for us, whatever misfortunes may come over us, not to swerve from our convictions, to fight for righteousness, freedom and humanity, a new order of justice between peoples and a working together for the peace, such as Woodrow Wilson dreamed of creating. Though we may temporarily be crushed to earth, we shall win at last. "Samtiden," Oslo.

ASIA INVADES EUROPE

Amid the general upsurge of sympathy for Finland in its gallant struggle against overwhelming odds, one portentous fact should not be overlooked. The Finns have justification for their claim that they represent Europe's most exposed outpost against Asia. And for the first time in centuries Asia to-day is invading Europe.

Russia before the Bolshevik Revolution was perhaps 50 per cent. European and 50 per cent. Asiatic; it was linked to Europe by a highly civilized but all too small educated class. It was tied to Asia by many features of its administrative system, and by low living standards.

The Bolshevik Revolution and the gradual transformation of the Communist Party dictatorship into the absolute rule of a single man unfortunately accentuated Russia's Asiatic traits and pushed it farther away from Europe. Its pre-war educated class was decimated. It is no accident that almost all prominent Communists with a background of European culture fell victims to Stalin's relentless purges.

Stalin's dictatorship has every characteristic of the classical Asiatic state.

Finland's struggle is irresistibly reminiscent of another between totalitarian Asia and individualist Europe that occurred twenty-four hundred years ago: between Persia and Greece.

No one at this moment can foresee how far this Asiatic glacial mass will spread, obliterating the fruits of European civilization, if Europe's brave northeastern outpost falls for lack of help which might have been given. "Christian Science Monitor."

"NO NATION CAN STAND ALONE"

Within a country, no individual, no group, and no region can stand alone and aloof and attain as high a level of material and spiritual well-being as is possible when all citizens co-operate willingly for the common good.

In exactly the same way, no nation can stand alone and aloof and achieve for itself the level of progress and prosperity which is made possible by a peaceful and mutually beneficial collaboration among nations in trade and commerce, in arts and sciences, in all the numberless ways in which fruitful international relationships have enriched the life of the whole human race.—Mr. Cordell Hull in The American Magazine.

SORELY TRIED

Norway and Sweden, especially Sweden, are sorely tried. Every natural impulse urges them to go in full force to aid the Finns, especially since it is likely that their united strength could hold up Russia for good and all. The Norwegians fear lest Russia, obeying the historic urge towards warm water and the open sea, should covet the northern piece of Norway down to Narvik, the port where ends the railway from the Swedish iron ore mines. Both countries dread lest the mass of Russia, huge and incalculable, should overhang their frontiers; they have had it there before but the Tsars did not alarm them as does the Stalin now of the Peace Front, now of the German Pact, and always of the Terror. The Swedes especially would like to intervene for Finland. For some time it seemed possible that popular fervour might overbear the more cautious Government. But the Government has held firm, the King has given it his public support, and for the moment at least the policy of neutrality is fixed. The Swedes see the danger, for it is plain to all eyes. If Finland goes, whose turn may not come next? If Finland has gone, an invaluable part of a great fighting force will have been thrown away. But there is Germany. If Sweden's forces are already engaged in Finland and Germany attacks her, what is her chance? If Russia, having ultimately overrun Finland, should turn against Norway or Sweden, Germany might decide that she must get "compensation" for her new friend's, and ancient rival's, acquisitions. Sweden would then have to look to her southern coasts, close behind which lie her principal grain-producing areas. Britain and France would help, no doubt, but Germany is near; rumours of her preparations reach Scandinavian ears. These, at least, are the arguments that keep Sweden so far neutral, and, even if we should regret, we must respect them. We may believe

KEEPING OUT OF WAR

We must shoulder the moral responsibility of keeping out of war. We must show in the pursuit of peace a resolution and devotion comparable to that which belligerent peoples show in the pursuit of war. What would that mean? Each must work it out for himself. . . . We must tax ourselves, conscript ourselves, in the cause of peace, co-operation and good will.—William P. Morrell, President, Church Peace Union, in the "Carnegie Magazine."

that they — and other neutrals too — would do better to put all to the touch and come in on that side with whom their safety lies, especially since a large movement of that kind might be decisive. But we should not forget that what the Germans are doing in Poland, a spectacle by them deliberately contrived, is no encouragement to any small power on whom the blow might fall. "Manchester Guardian."

MR. SCOTT TRIES TO MEET HIS M.P. ACCUSER WAR OFFICE SUSPENDS TWO OFFICIALS

London, February 2.

MR. CHARLES KINGSLEY SCOTT, otherwise Charles Kinsler Skotnicki, alleged in the House of Commons to be a convicted criminal, tried to get into touch last night with Mr. Thurtle, the Socialist M.P.

Mr. Thurtle on Wednesday night said Mr. Scott's services had been recommended to a firm in need of finance by an official of the Ministry of Supply and a colonel employed at the War Office.

An inquiry has been ordered by the War Office, and, pending the result, officers concerned have been suspended.

At his third-floor office in Piccadilly, W., Mr. Scott, cigarette in mouth, picked up his telephone and dialled Whitehall 6240. This is the number for calling M.P.s at the House of Commons.

20-MINUTE WAIT

"Tell Mr. Thurtle Mr. Scott would like to speak to him," he said to the telephonist at the House. He was told that if Mr. Thurtle wished to speak he would call him back. Mr. Scott, chain-smoking, waited twenty minutes.

Then he rang again. After some time he replaced the receiver.

"They told me Mr. Thurtle must have had my message," said Mr. Scott. "I waited. But Mr. Thurtle didn't call. I gave it up."

All day Mr. Scott had read and re-read the report of the Parliamentary debate. Bitterly he scored the passage where Mr. Thurtle said:—

"This reliable financial agent had been imprisoned for two years for fraudulent conversion, and had had five petitions in bankruptcy made against him....."

'INDISCRETIONS'

Disappointed at not having been able to get in touch with Mr. Thurtle, Mr. Scott said to me:—

"I wanted to meet my accuser face to face.

"It is true that five years ago I was convicted of a misdemeanour in Jersey. I was twenty months in prison there, but I always understood one expiated one's indiscretions on the completion of a sentence."

In this case Mr. Scott, charged with conversion in the name of Skotnicki, of Shoreditch, E., was sentenced for what the Jersey Attorney-General called "a heartless fraud."

He had arrived in the island some months previously, leased a manor house, and entertained lavishly. After leaving Jersey he was arrested in London and taken back to stand his trial.

"I have contrived to make good for the last five years," Mr. Scott went on to me, "and I have been allowed to forget the past, except occasionally, at such times as these."

"One of the colonels he referred to gave the bride away at my wedding in October."

"Now I am going to clear the decks and fight back. I am going to resign my job as director of a West End firm."

"My friends still talk about the luxury parties I used to give, the Jermyn-street hotel I managed, and my City deals. Money was plentiful then."

"My wife showed me the folly of being every one's host. For months we have been living on £5 a week, having been two bob meals and loving them."

"When I met my wife I was trying to write poetry. I had a Vandyke beard."

"But she said she wouldn't marry me unless I shaved it off. So off it came."

"I would welcome an inquiry," Mr. Scott said. "I want the public to know all the facts."

"I am not hiding in any corners. I simply tried to put through a business deal in a business-like way."

"About mid-summer last year I met certain people connected with the War Office and tried to get a commission, as war appeared imminent, was recommended by four people of high social standing, three of whom knew my past."

"GUARANTEE"

"I did not disclose it to the War Office. I thought my credentials were sufficient guarantee."

"I kept pestering my friends, and at one meeting it was mentioned that perhaps I could assist a certain firm of Government contractors who were in financial difficulties."

"I arranged for the introduction, through officials, to two men who had the capital available. After inspecting the works we met in London, and it then turned out that it was a third party who was in fact offering to put up this money."

"Eventually there were half a dozen people wanting commissions for introducing each other, and it became obvious that no good would result from continuing negotiations."

"It is ridiculous to suggest that I ever asked for 50 per cent. commission."

"If the deal had gone through all I should have received in cash and shares would have amounted to approximately £1,500. It did not go through, and all I received was expenses."

UNITY AIDED HOME—WHY?

Unity Mitford's recent return to Britain was the subject of a sharp attack on Mr. Chamberlain by Mr. Herbert Morrison (Soc., Hackney, S.) in the House of Commons.

The Premier, in answer to his question about military and police protection at the port of arrival, said no steps were taken by the Government in connection with this case, other than those taken on behalf of any other British subject.

Mr. Morrison: Does that mean that the Government did take steps to facilitate the return of this British subject who has been openly assisting the cause of an enemy Government?

Mr. Chamberlain said the only action taken by the Foreign Office on behalf of Miss Mitford was the inclusion of her name in a list of British subject in Germany, for whom the United States Embassy were requested to do whatever was possible in sending through the Embassy inquiries regarding her health.

Mr. Morrison: As it is now apparent that the British Government did take such steps, why didn't the Prime Minister tell me so in the first instance? (Cries of "Oh!")

RIGHTS OF SMALL PEOPLES: GERMAN VERSION

An article by Arthur Reiss in the "Borsen-Zeitung" begins. "It is not true that the people of Europe are equal. It is also nonsense to maintain that all people have equal rights. Not every people is capable of a state, not every people has a right to its own state. And not every people has a national, and imperial vocation."

The article ends on the same note: "The law of the hierarchy of peoples is re-established in the case of Poland. The Polish example proves that not every people is capable of a state nor has a right to its own state. The Polish people has no mandate for a state, it has no task in Europe."

NO NAZI-SOVIET MILITARY PACT

There is no military alliance between Germany and Russia—yet. This statement is made in an order issued by Himmler, the Gestapo chief, to Army officers and Nazi Party leaders, says Radio Toulouse.

The order adds: "When the international situation develops however, something like that may result. Nevertheless, for the next few months German officers and Party leaders must not speak of collaboration between Germany and Russia, must not mention the sending of military missions, Army instructors and so on."

Heavy penalties will be imposed on anyone ignoring this instruction."

CRUISE ENDS—IN LEGIONS

Two hundred Poles, who have been kicking their heels waiting to fight with Britain and France, answered their stricken country's call.

First step in the formation of new units for the three Polish Fighting Services was taken in Newcastle-on-Tyne.

The recruits were the men—passengers, officers and crew—of the crack Polish liner Pilsudski. Each was medically examined.

When the war started they were on a holiday cruise to the New York World Fair. On their return journey the liner was diverted to the Tyne. Then she was refitted. She set off for the Far East. Less than twelve hours later she struck a mine and sank.

Since then they have been refugees on Tyneside.

MORE DRIVE, OR WE LOSE WAR—M.P.

Mr. T. Horabin, Liberal M.P., for North Cornwall, said at Oxford:

The Time has gone by for wishful thinking. It is time we faced up to the fact that if we go on as we are doing we are going to lose this war.

"Germany is prepared for almost any contingency. Our blockade is not complete; big holes exist in South-Eastern Europe, in Italy, Russia and Sweden."

"It is going to take all we have to resist Germany. There is no room for complacency, and the man who leads this country must be a ruthless driver."



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WHERE THEY ARE GETTING ON WITH THE WAR

For six days I have lived in six midland cities. Now you might assume that it is boastful of me to claim great knowledge of what is happening to-day in one of the greatest prosperity belts in the world.

I want to pay a tribute to the technique of teaching which the Ministry of Labour are developing.

They took us to the midlands because we wanted the answer to two questions. What part are these cities playing in the national war effort? How are we going to get over the difficulty of finding men and women to fill all the jobs which will need doing during the war?

The first was answered in such great detail that I can claim to know more about Birmingham's effort than most Birmingham men, and so on through Coventry and Northampton, Leicester and Nottingham, the potteries of Staffordshire, the coalfields of the north midlands, and the farmlands of Holland in Lincolnshire.

The second was explained, and it was clear that no single solution will be found.

But what I want to stress is the thoroughness of the tuition we received in this long week-end.

Our tutors concentrated. That is the secret of the training which is now to be given to unemployed men over forty-five and to black-coated professional men who have lost their jobs, to fit them for jobs in arms factories.

We heard all about this plan in Leicester, and it was to a suburb in that city we were taken to see one of the most up-to-date training centres in the world.

The teachers have developed a concentrated tuition which will in six months teach an ordinarily intelligent man more about drilling and turning, instrument making and welding than he would learn in a factory in three or four years. They cut out the carrying of messages and tools which usually takes up so much of a beginner's time in a factory. Here in this centre the trainees actually handle the tools and machines which they will operate in their jobs after they have been trained.

In the classrooms the lessons are based on the jobs the men have been doing that day. This improves on ordinary night school and technical institution technique, where, of necessity, the theory taught may not be applied practically for years.

Progress charts are kept for every trainee. If a man lags behind for two consecutive weeks the manager or assistant manager sends for him, asks him what's the trouble. Sometimes the speed is too great, but often the man is worried over some news he has received from home, or his lodgings are not comfortable, or he is disturbed by the personality of the man on the next bench.

The authorities try to smooth all these matters out so that the man's progress is not hindered, although they try to maintain the same sort of discipline in these centres as exists in outside engineering plants.

The percentage of trainees who

do not stay the course is one in five. Everything is voluntary about the course. The men please themselves whether they undergo the course, they please themselves when they throw it up.

In this 20 per cent. of failures are the men who are advised to give up the course because they are not suited

By
TREVOR EVANS

for engineering and metal work. After all, a man must be interested in this sort of job before he can succeed.

All the men who complete the course, with few exceptions, get jobs. That is what makes me think that this system goes a long way to fill the gaps caused by the decay of the apprenticeship system in this country.

It's no good expecting many firms to start their own training courses just now. Most of them are too busy turning out war material, they haven't the space to set aside a special training section, they cannot spare the skilled workers to give tuition, and they are too nervous to let a beginner handle an expensive machine without a skilled man watching him.

But I was quite as interested in the men undergoing training in this centre as in the machines and the teaching system.

The oldest man here was forty-four. He once owned a chain of provision shops. Now he is halfway through his training as a fitter.

Next in age was a man of forty-two, happy because he was fulfilling his life's ambition.

He always wanted to be an engineer, but he joined the Army early in the last war, assuming the war would be short and he would be able to start his training. When he came out of the Army the industry was not concerned about training more men. It was forced to dispense with thousands of men in the factories.

This ex-soldier had to find a job. He became a labourer and that has been his job for twenty years. He has had to satisfy his craving for doing more skilled work by being a super-handy man about the house, devising and making his own gadgets.

He lost his job when the war started. He was told about this training scheme when he signed on for his benefit. He had not heard of it before because he had held a steady job and there had been no reason for calling at the labour exchange.

Now he says, "The best thing that ever happened to me was when I lost my job. In three months I shall be working on a lathe."

I spoke to the bacteriologist who is learning to become a draughtsman. This, by the way, is a nine months' course and the longest in

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Bringing Up Father



By George McManus

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WE COULDN'T HAVE PUT IT BETTER OURSELVES!

Cairo, To-day.

Dr. Amir Bector, in the Cairo newspaper "Al Hilal" says: "The Germans are sick and suffering from megalomania. They cultivate ideas that they are supermen."

"The French above all are logical, keeping to scientific and legal facts."

"The British are practical. They are the most balanced and just people in the world."

"This explains the Allies' superiority over the Germans." — Reuter.

SHEK-KI ENTERED

Macao, To-day.

Shek-ki was entered by Japanese forces yesterday following sharp skirmishes on the outskirts.

Occupation of the Chung Shan city was completed in the afternoon prior to which there was street fighting.

The Chinese forces are withdrawn to the hills north-east of Shek-ki.

Thousands of refugees are pouring into Macao and yesterday a party of refugee relief workers arrived from Hong Kong to assist local organisations in caring for the refugees. — Our Own Correspondent.

JAPANESE STATEMENT

Canton, To-day.

The Japanese forces yesterday completely occupied Chungshan district, it is claimed in a communique issued here.

The occupation, it is stated, was completed at about 10 a.m.—Reuter.

EARTHQUAKE ZONE PLAN

ISTANBUL, TO-DAY.

FAR-REACHING GOVERNMENT PLANS ARE ALREADY BEING PREPARED FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE AREAS OF ERZINDJAN RECENTLY DEVASTATED BY THE EARTHQUAKES, SAYS AN ANKARA DESPATCH.

The projects envisaged provide for 80,000 new houses for which the National Assembly will shortly be asked for credits totalling £25,000,000.

It is understood that British, American and Italian firms are bidding keenly for a share in the reconstruction.—Reuter.

AMERICA'S ECONOMIC OVERTURES

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, announced yesterday that the United States Government had approached 55 neutrals with a view to working to improve the world economic order after the war.

Most had replied favourably, he added.—Reuter.

U.S. TREATY TALKS WITH DOMINIONS

Washington, To-day.

It is authoritatively learned that the United States actually is only negotiating a treaty of conciliation with South Africa.

Talks with the other Dominions are expected to materialise shortly. — Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN COAL MINERS TO STRIKE

Sydney, To-day.

A strike affecting about 20,000 coal miners throughout the Commonwealth is to begin on Monday following the

WHERE THEY ARE GETTING ON WITH THE WAR

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the scheme.

"They high-hatted me when I first came here," he laughed, "because they thought a bacteriologist must be some sort of crank. But the fellows I work with now are first-class. They appreciate that the money I'll get when I finish this course will be twice what I got when I worked in a hospital."

And then I saw the duke's ex-butler. Dignified he was as he bent over a drilling machine in the centre of the great hall. "He's making great progress," said one of the instructors.

Then there were the dance band crooner and the bookmaker's ex-clerk. From now onwards there will be thousands more men whose work has been non-manual.

They may wonder whether they will "mix" with the other men in training. Let them not fear. All the men to whom I spoke were happy about their lodgings, which are "vetted" by the department, and happy about the social life organised by officials of the centre. Here in Leicester they have a dance band formed by trainees, a glee club, and a social club where billiards and darts are played, and a library.

They pay a penny a week for these social activities, from the 5s. pocket money allowed them.

There was one thought which struck me above all others in this midlands journey.

We may make the mistake of thinking that the demand for help in the war effort will come only from the engineering and metal trades.

Why, in Nottingham alone there are men whose whole-time job is finding new drugs to replace those which formerly came from Germany. They are doing more than that, although, obviously, I cannot go into details. They are seeking new "ersatz" products in foods and in other materials.

There is a factory here, working full time, where experts turn out plans for camouflaging any building you like: it also provides steeplejacks.

Lacemakers are making great quantities of nets against mosquitoes and sandflies.

In North Notts they are now boring for natural oil, and increasing the output of oil from coal; in Grimsby they are producing 70,000 nets for the Admiralty.

In the Holland Division of Lincolnshire they are ploughing up another 3,300 acres this year.

The miners of Nottinghamshire have in some pits increased their output of coal by one ton in eight.

All these activities are part of the war effort. Each one of them will develop in intensity, demanding the help of more men and more women.

Married women are going back to their old jobs in the Northampton boot factories, and in the textile mills of Leicester and Nottingham.

But more women will be needed, especially on the farmlands of Lincolnshire. They don't expect the Irish potato pickers in any great numbers this year. The women of the district will have to turn out and help. Here they can't fall back on the good luck which befell Hereford last autumn, when the evacuated schoolchildren and their teachers saved the hop and apple harvests.

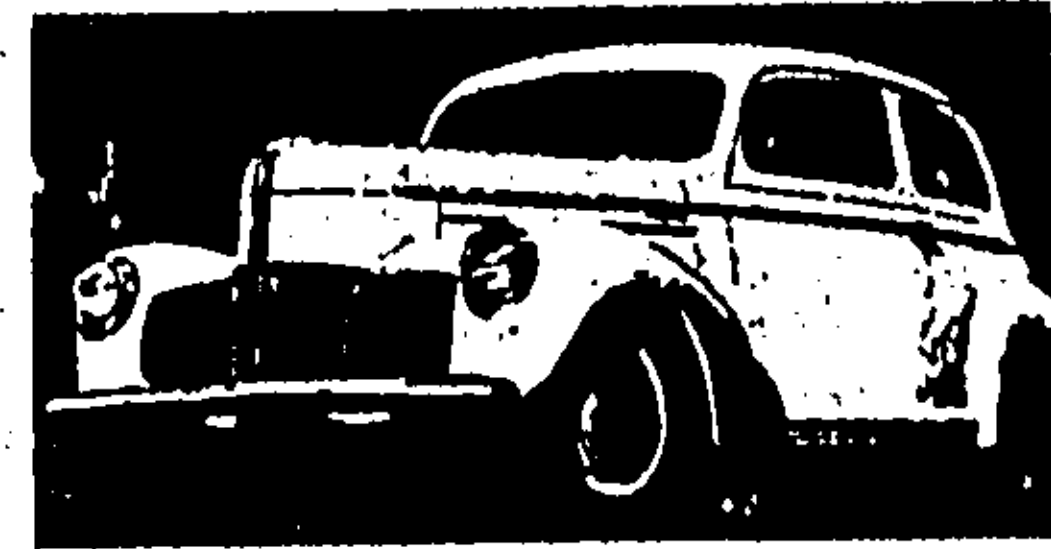
Now what you have done so far, Mr. Ernest Brown, is good. But not by any means good enough.

It just points out the way you must travel—and travel "all out."

You will need a finer mesh to collect your men, Mr. Brown, a deeper mould to train them.

failure of both owners and the miners unions to accept the arbitration court's offer of a conference on wages and hours.—Reuter.

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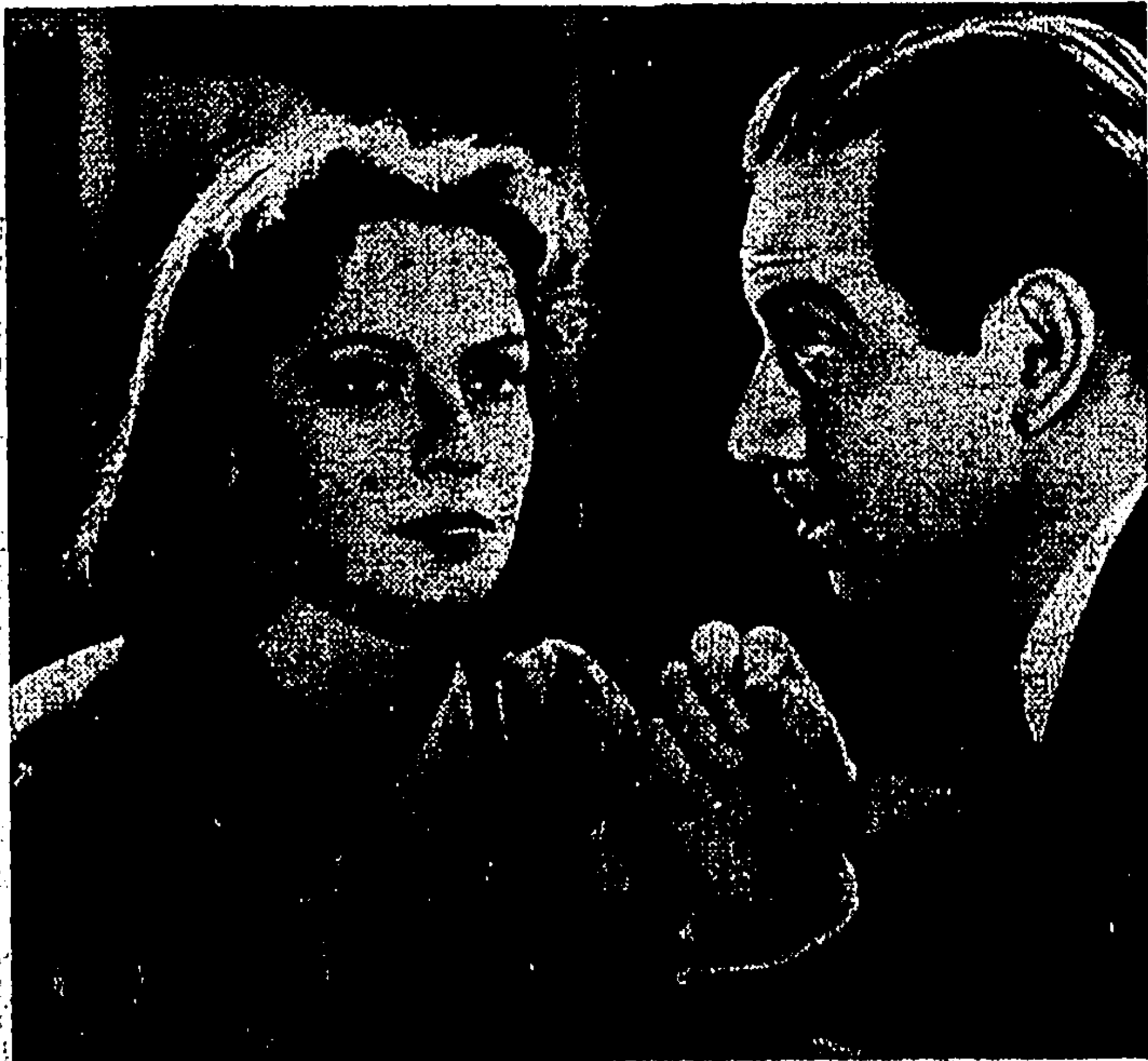
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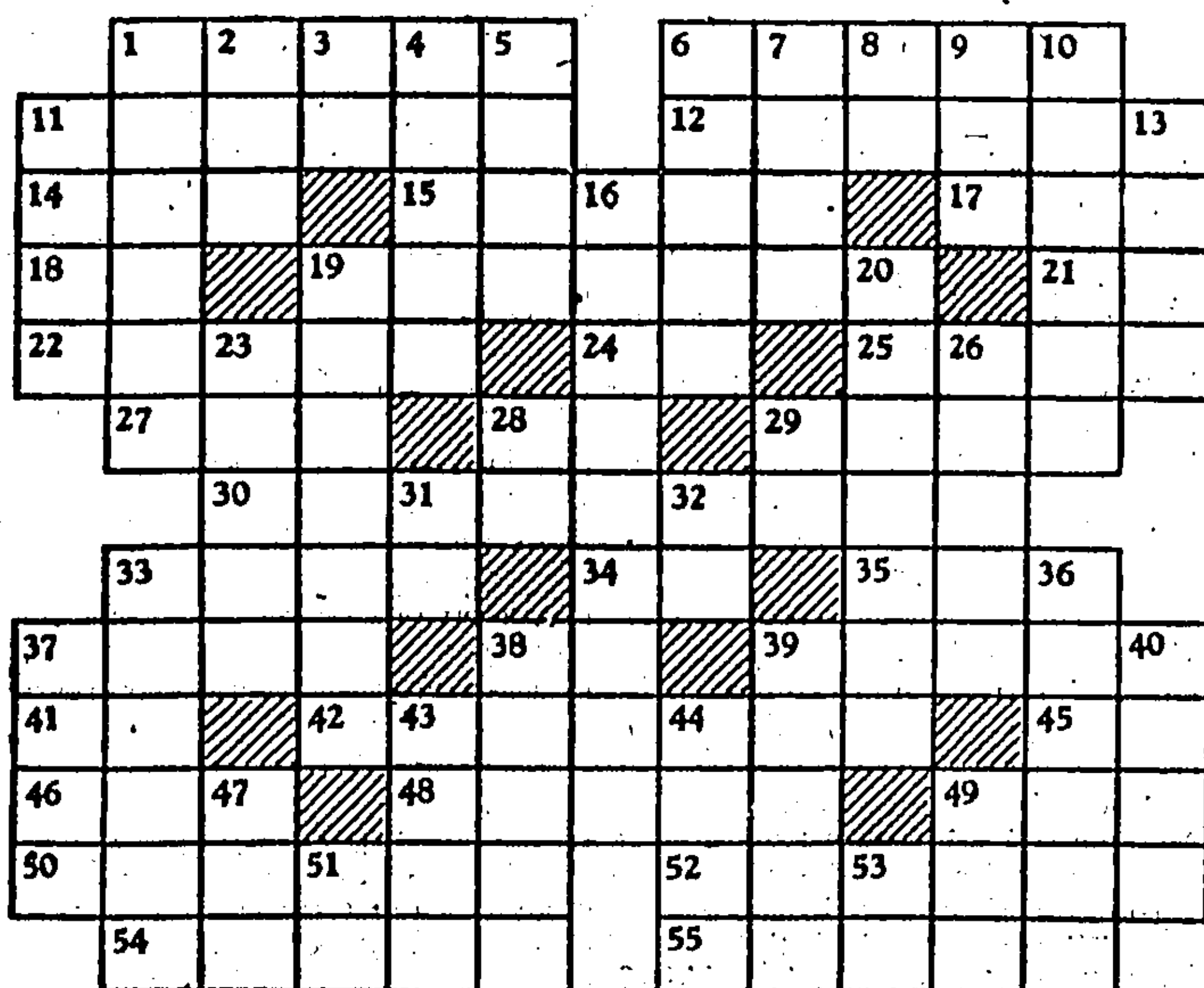
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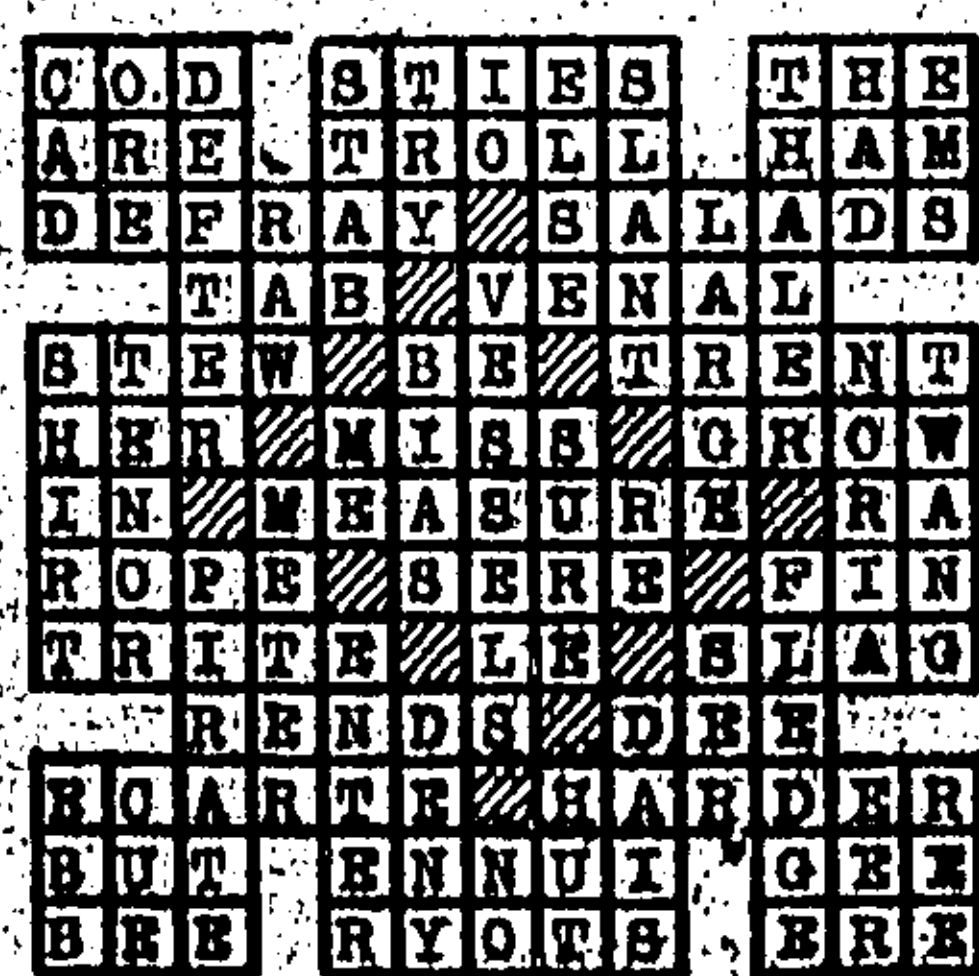
- 1 Took part
- 6 Convincing evidence
- 11 Hairy
- 12 Pertaining to poetry
- 14 Sacred chest
- 15 Kind of car
- 17 French: ait
- 18 European fish
- 19 Is sorry for
- 21 Forward
- 22 Ladies
- 24 In this way
- 25 Kilm.
- 27 Things, in law
- 28 Greek letter
- 29 British queen
- 30 To resolve
- 33 Western city
- 34 Symbol for gold
- 35 Abstract being
- 37 To defeat
- 38 Hebrew month
- 39 Flower essence
- 41 Type measure
- 42 Dealers
- 45 Behold!
- 46 Part of shoe

- 48 To cede
- 49 Except
- 50 Clothing
- 52 Composed of lobes
- 54 Consumed
- 55 Mountain ridge

VERTICAL

- 1 Turkish commander
- 2 Kind
- 3 To perform
- 4 Worms
- 5 Profound
- 6 Music: soft
- 7 To rage
- 8 Sacred word
- 9 Japanese sash
- 10 Thread-like
- 11 Recompensed
- 13 Coin
- 16 Worth having
- 19 Is angered at
- 20 Poems
- 23 Ancient Persians
- 26 Concerning letter
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- 29 Sloth
- 31 Preposition
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- 36 To greet
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COLONY XI BEAT RAJPUTS

(By "REFEREE")

Colony's probable Interport hockey team had their first try-out yesterday when on Navy ground they beat Rajputana Rifles by 4 goals to 1 after leading at the interval by three clear goals.

Hitchcock of Royal Scots was brought into the side at inside-right, while Pritam Nath was seen at inside-left, Nerain Singh being dropped.

Dawson played in goal for the Rifles in the first half and in the later period Lockhart was seen in goal.

Before the interval Pritam Nath received a cut near the eye and was forced to abandon the game; Nerain Singh took his place.

The Rifles took a long time to settle down owing to the bad state of the ground but in the second period played much better and had, in fact, more of the game than the Interport side.

GOOD BACKS

Benwell, in Interport goal, had little to do and it was surprising that he was not changed over in the second half in place of Lockhart.

Both the Interport backs were sound, Datta Singh being brilliant with his stickwork and tackling, while his hitting was good. His partner Bond was also safe and cleared well.

Hook and Reed in the intermediate line were sound, the former stuck to his man well and tackled well with the result that the opposing wing did not have much rope.

Whitley did not start well, but in the closing stages of the first half improved immensely and maintained that improvement in the second period.

By far the outstanding player in the forward line was Partab Singh on the left wing. He was very fast and displayed excellent ball control, his recovery and reverse stick work being prominent. His partner Pritam Nath, until his injury, fed him with good passes and played well himself.

Homburg, in the leader's berth, was always up with the play and scored a good goal, while Hitchcock at inside-right put in some good work.

Fowler on the right wing was off form. He rarely did anything worth while when in possession.

Shah Wali and Kalwant Singh were a powerful right wing combination for Rajputana Rifles. The former was decidedly better than Fowler as a right winger.

Bharta Ram was another dangerous forward and he had hard luck in not netting in the second half.

THE SCORING

Interport team opened the scoring through Hitchcock and shortly after Datta Ram scored from a short corner. Before the interval Homburg netted from a pass from Pritam Nath.

In the second period Nerain Singh increased the lead with a good

(Continued on Next Col.)

COLONY TENNIS

TSUIS OFF THE MARK

Although they were led at various times and conceded quite a few games, one always felt that the Tsui brothers, holders of the Colony doubles title, had a good deal in reserve and could have won practically any game they liked against Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain yesterday.

This was especially noticeable in the few occasions when the Indian pair appeared likely to offer a threat for a set. The Tsuis, without appearing to trouble very much, merely tightened up their games and the necessary deficit was wiped off. It was as easy as that!

Notwithstanding the fact that they were inclined to indulge in trick shots at the slightest opportunity, it did appear to me that the champions have improved their game somewhat. Wai-pui's overhead—always impressive—is not definitely more powerful and there were occasions when he gave his opponents no chance with "kills" from

shot, and, after several chances had been missed Salvant Singh scored for Rifles.

Colony Probables:—V. R. Benwell; V. C. Bond, Datta Ram; Lt. G. W. Hook, W. A. Reed and N. B. M. Whitley; S. A. Fowler, Cpl. Hitchcock, Sgt. Homburg, Lt. Pritam Nath (Nerain Singh) in the second half.

Rajputana Rifles:—L/Sgt. Dobson; Sher Khan, Binga Ram; Dan Singh, Duda Ram, Bharan Singh; Shah Wali, Lt. Sawal Khan, Lt. Mukhtar Singh, Bharta Ram and Takht Singh. (T. Lockhart played in goal in the second half).

ARGONAUTS SHOULD WIN BRAUN CUP TO-DAY

WITH THE CHAMPIONSHIP and runners-up position already decided in the Caer Clark Cup competition, only remaining interest remaining in Ladies hockey is in the Braun Cup, which should be won this afternoon by Argonauts after meeting Recreio.

RESULTS

Open Doubles
Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui beat O. Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain, 7-5, 6-4.
Open Singles
J. W. Leonard beat Lam Kwan, 6-0, 6-4.
A. Crawford received walk-over from Ip Khoo-hung.
S. A. Gray beat P. S. Leong, 3-6, 6-3, 6-1.
Wei Chung beat M. Pagh, 2-6, 6-2, 7-5.

GOOD VOLLEYING

His service was also good and his ground strokes as decisive as ever.

Yan-pui showed a tightening up in all departments and a particularly impressive feature of his game yesterday was his sharply-angled volleying. Overhead he showed increased confidence.

The losers showed little understanding and for the greater part of the match adopted a one up one back line-up which was not as unsuccessful as might have been thought.

Hussain, although not as experienced, was much the better player albeit rather casual with his positioning. His groundstrokes were quite good and his lobbing adequate. Rumjahn's heavy chopping off the ground and the high loop to all his strokes, gave the Tsui's ample scope for spectacular volleying.

Argonauts only require one more point in their remaining two games and should have little difficulty this afternoon.

Diocesan Girls who are favourable placed for the runners-up should make sure of that title by beating Central British Association.

Following is to-day's Ladies' hockey programme and some of the teams:—

CAER CLARK CUP
C.B.A. v Recreio
(C.B.A., 3.00 p.m.).
BRAUN CUP
C.B.S. v St. Andrew's
(C.B.S., 3.00 p.m.).
Argonauts v Recreio
(Recreio, 3.00 p.m.).
C.B.A. v D.G.S.
(C.B.A., 4.15 p.m.).

TEAMS
C.B.A.:—Miss D. Moss; Mrs. M. Wilmott and Mrs. M. White; Miss P. Everest, Miss I. Woolley and Miss A. Smith; Miss D. Squires, Miss P. Whitley, Miss B. Parsons, Mrs. M. Quick and Miss E. Lathovetsky.

JUNIORS
C.B.A.:—Miss W. Grimmit; Mrs. M. Mackay and Miss V. Beaumont; Miss N. Duckworth, Miss J. Felshaw and Miss E. Hunt; Mrs. J. Crawford, Miss P. Baxter, Miss E. Woolley, Miss F. Grimmit and Miss I. Cunningham.

Reserves:—Miss B. Sullivan and Miss R. Stalker.

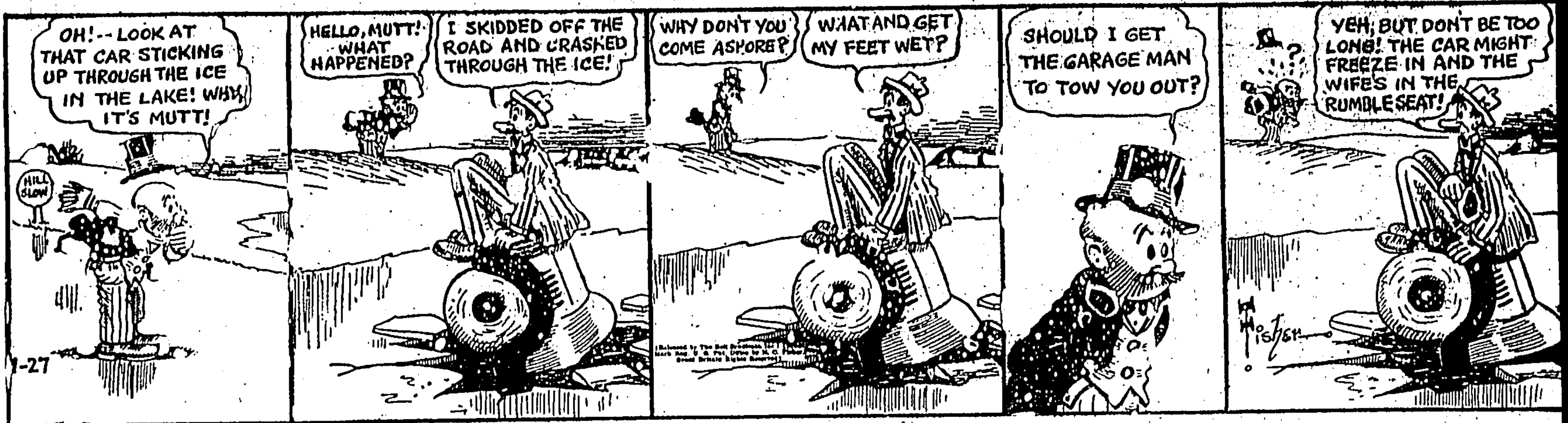
St. Andrew's:—Miss Darby; Miss H. Millington and Miss M. Lawson; Miss P. Jeffreys, Miss S. Arnold and Miss K. Doughty; Miss B. Carey, Miss W. Rossini, Miss B. Longbottom, Miss H. May and Miss T. Jex. Recreio:—Miss C. Silva; Miss M. Ribeiro and Miss E. Rozario; Miss G. Jorge, Miss N. Osmund and Miss M. Silva; Miss L. Rodrigues, Miss N. Guterres, Miss M. Campos, Miss M. Gonsalves and Miss D. Silva.

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12.50 p.m.—Songs by Percy Homing (Baritone).
1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dance Music by Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Turner Layton, Moreton & Kaye and Harry Davidson.
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Vocal—Villia (film 'The Merry Widow'); The Merry Widow Waltz (from the film) . . . Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orch.
Orch. & Organ—Seville ('Cities of Romance'—Haydn Wood) . . . The B.B.C. Variety Orchestra and Reginald Foort.
Piano—Charlie Kunz Piano Medley No. D.18; Intro: Please be kind; The down and out blue; Cry, Baby, Cry; The sweetest song in the world; The first quarrel; Little Lady Make Believe . . . Charlie Kunz.
Vocal—Dusty Road (Rene) . . . Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Orch.—Drinking Songs (arr. Williams) . . . Jack Hylton & His Orchestra with Vocal Refrain.
11.0 p.m.—London Relay—'London Log'.
11.15 p.m.—Request Dance Programme.
Novelty Fox-Trot—The Fairy on the Christmas Tree . . . The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
Quickstep—F.D.R. Jones (from 'The little dog laughed'); Fox-Trot—Over and Done with . . . Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
Novelty Waltz—Booms-A-Daisy; Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
Quickstep—The Chestnut Tree; Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Rumba—Siboney . . . Alfredo Brito & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trot—I'm an Old Cowhand (from 'Rhythm on the Range'); Ambrose & His Orchestra.
Waltzes—The Umbrella Man (from 'These Foolish Things'); Ferdinand The Bull (from the film) . . . Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Love Is Here to Stay (film 'Goldwyn Follies'); Love Walked In (film 'Goldwyn Follies') . . . Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
Novelty Fox-Trot—Poor Little Angelina . . . Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
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North, Dealer
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A 8 4
♥ 7 3
♦ 10 3
♣ A Q J 8 6 5
♠ J 10 3
♥ K 10 9
♦ J 8 7 5 2
♣ 7 4
♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ J 8 5 4
♦ A Q 6
♣ K 3
♠ K Q 5
♥ A Q 8 3
♦ K 8 4
♣ 10 9 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1♠ Pass 2NT Pass
3NT Pass Pass Pass

West opened the five of diamonds. His partner won with the Ace and returned the Queen. South of course held up his King until the third round, then took a club finesse, which was won by East's King. East then returned a heart, but South jumped in with the Ace and then ran off enough tricks to make his contract with something to spare.

The proper play by East to the first trick was the diamond Queen. True, this would have fooled his part-

ner temporarily; but, unless South were a mind reader, it would have fooled him too. In other words, the play of the diamond Queen would have made South think that the Ace was in West's hand. If this were so, South would have to take his King for, after all, it would be better to take one trick in the suit than none. Had East "finessed" against his partner, he would have gotten in with the club King and then played the Ace and another diamond, in which event his partner would have run off four tricks and the contract would have been set.

Yesterday you were David Bruce Burnstone's partner and held:

♠ A 10 x x
♥ x x
♦ A x x
♣ K x x x

The bidding:
Burnstone Maier You Jacoby
1♦ Pass (?)

ANSWER: Your correct response is one spade. Score 100% for one spade, 40% for one notrump (an underbid) or two notrump (an overbid since it is forcing to game), 0 for any other bid.

QUESTION NO. 354
You are Merwin Maier's partner and hold:

♠ x x
♥ A Q J x x x
♦ x x
♣ x x x

The bidding:
Burnstone Maier Schenken You
1♦ 1♠ 1NT 2♥
3♦ Pass 3NT Pass
Pass Pass

What do you lead? (Answer Monday.)
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China Ponies

- 1/2 Mile 170 Yards:**
1.02.4 (record)—Spicelight (Moller, 164); 2, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 3, White Diamond (Pih, 159). 1/2 and many. A.M.3.
1.04.3 (record)—Racelight (Moller, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, White Diamond (Pih, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.2.
1.12.0—Palmer (Wei, 153); 2, Lucky Eleven (Liang, 147); 3, Arabian Cat (Black, 150). 3/4 and 1/2. A.M.5.
Six Furlongs:
1.21.2 (record)—Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161); 2, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161); 3, Eve of Folly (Proulx, 158). 6 and many. A.M.4.
1.22.4 (record)—Spicelight (Moller, 161); 2, Craigavad (Liang, 161); 3, Possible (Wei, 158). 6 and 1/2. A.M.1.
1.23.1—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 150); 2, Humdrum Eve (Pih, 151); 3, Lilliber (Gram, 152). 2 and dead heat. A.M.2.
1.25.2—Lancashire Lass (Chao, 154); 2, Oak Bay (Needa, 148); 3, Possible View (Pih, 156). 1 1/2 and 1. A.M.2.
1.27.3—National Pride (H. M. Bofalho, 158); 2, Boolat Bay (Gram, 160); 3, Rose-Queen (Poy, 156). Short head and 2. A.M.4.
1.29.3—Willynilly (Chiu, 142); 2, Smiling Time (Wei, 140); 3, Chatterbox (Encarnacao, 152). 2 and 1/2. A.M.5.
1.30.1—Clowner (Ip, 148) and Sylvandale (Hearne, 140); 3, Soldier of Britain (Fung, 168). Dead heat and 1 1/2. A.M.4.
1.31.4—Bressay (Hearne, 159); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 149); 3, Fortrush (K. W. Fung, 159). 2 and 1 1/2. A.M.5.
1 Mile:
1.51.2 (record)—Burford (Pih, 164); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Hearne, 161). A.M.3.
1.52.4—Craigavad (Encarnacao, 163); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 158); 3, Dupont Bay (Black, 151). 3/4 and 1/2. A.M.5.
1.53.1—Clember (Chao, 161); 2, Possible (Tang Man Wa, 158); 3, Johnher (Gram, 158). 4 and 2. A.M.4.
1.54.1—Eve of Harvest (Encarnacao, 168); 2, Lilliber (Gram, 152); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 155). 2 1/2 and 2. A.M.3.
2.01.0—King Kong (Chao, 159); 2, Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 159); 3, Salvage Master (Pan, 150). 6 and many. A.M.4.
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2.09.2—Bogey (Chiu Ki Fan, 140); 2, Gog (Sadick, 161); 3, Valorous (Wood, 158). 4 and 1 1/2. A.M.4.
1 Mile 171 Yards:
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2.08.1—Jennifer (Marshall, 157); 2, Expansion Time (Wei, 151) and Potentate (Encarnacao, 157). 2 and dead heat. A.M.5.
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2.15.4—Guinness Time (Wei, 163); 2, Strathbannock (Black, 171); 3, Celtic Star (Marshall, 165). 3 and 3. A.M.3.
2.17.0—This Time (Wei, 140); 2, Night View (Pih, 163); 3, Some Hope (Hearne, 145). 1 1/2 and short head. A.M.3.
2.18.4—Phoenix (Liang, 152); 2, Emergency Call (Black, 140); 3, Bressay (Hearne, 154). 5 and neck. A.M.3.
1 1/4 Miles:
2.20.4 (record)—Burford (Pih, 161); 2, Satinlight (Moller, 161); 3, Confusion Bay (Black, 161). 2 and 3. A.M.4.
2.22.0—Confusion Bay (Black, 159); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 148); 3, Navy-light (Moller, 162). 2 and 1/2. A.M.2.
2.24.4—Racelight (Moller, 163) and Greiber (Gram, 161); 3, For All Time (Wei, 161). Dead heat and 5. A.M.4.
2.24.1—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Greiber (Gram, 161); 3, Mount Hope Bay (Black, 161). 5 and many. A.M.1.
1 1/2 Miles:
2.50.4 (record)—Satinlight (Moller, 161); 2, Burford (Pih, 161); 3, Craigavad (Encarnacao, 161). 1/2 and many. A.M.2.
1 3/4 Miles:
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- 3/4 and 1 1/4. A.M.5.**
1.00.3—Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 2, Spring Shine (Chao, 152); 3, Princess Caro (Liang, 152). 6 and 3. A.M.3.
1.01.0—Flying Dutchman (Needa, 152) and Sparrow (Chao, 153); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). Dead heat and short head. A.M.3.
Six Furlongs:
1.16.2—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Sparrow (Wei, 152); 3, Sea Jay (Proulx, 155). 6 and 4. A.M.1.
1.17.2—Lancashire Chips (Wei, 153); 2, Criffel (Needa, 150); 3, Double Finesse (S. W. Pan, 140). 4 and short head. A.M.1.
1.17.3—Sydney Lad (Hearne, 155); 2, Pumpernickel (Proulx, 152); 3, Derby Day (Chao, 155). Neck and 2 1/2. A.M.3.
1.17.4—Australian Diamond (Tao, 155); 2, Melody Star (Proulx, 155); 3, Lucky Lady (Needa, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.1.
1.17.4—Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Contact (Davis, 152); 3, Viceroy (Chao, 155). 3 and 1. A.M.1.
1.19.2—Ruby Star (S. W. Pan, 138); 2, Heinz (Davis, 135); 3, Violet Queen (Chao, 153). Short head and short head. A.M.2.
7 Furlongs 40 Yards:
1.38.1—Ajax (Liang, 150); 2, Happy Landings (Davis, 145); 3, Pumpernickel (Proulx, 155). Short head and short head. A.M.4.
1 Mile:
1.44.4—Courtney Eve (Pih, 147); 2, Chiltern (Encarnacao, 155) and Tornado Star (Proulx, 153). 2 and dead heat. A.M.4.
1.46.2—Contact (Davis, 152); 2, Ascot Day (Chao, 155); 3, Busylight (H. M. Botelho, 147). 6 and 1/2. A.M.2.
1.47.4—Twilight Star (Hearne, 154); 2, Violet Queen (Chao, 153); 3, Discovery Bay (Wei, 150). 2 and short head. A.M.5.
1.48.1—Lucky Lady (Hearne, 155) and Amicus (Curiae, Gram, 153); 3, Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Dead heat and 1. A.M.2.
1 1/4 Miles:
2.10.4—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 155); 3, Sapper (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2. A.M.5.
2.14.1—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2, Baffin Bay (Hearne, 145); 3, Devonian (Black, 150). 1 1/2 and 1. A.M.2.
2.15.1—Murrumbidgee (Black, 138); 2, A Roaring Time (Wei, 155); 3, Annabella (Chao, 165). Many and many. A.M.3.
2.16.0—Viceroy (Needa, 155); 2, Vanity Fair (Ip, 155); 3, Albury (Encarnacao, 155). Short head and 2 1/2. A.M.4.
2.16.3—Baffin Bay (Hearne, 160); 2, Tornado Star (Wei, 148); 3, Lucky Lad (Needa, 160). Short head and short head. A.M.1.
2.19.0—Brutus (Black, 158); 2, Discovery Bay (Wei, 145); 3, Twilight Star (S. W. Pan, 149). 5 and dead heat. A.M.2.
1 1/2 Miles:
2.41.4 (record)—Far View (Pih, 155); 2, Sapper (Encarnacao, 155); 3, Amicus Curiae (Marshall, 153). 3/4 and 6. A.M.3.

EASTERN EXPECTED TO BEAT S. CHINA "B"

(By "REFEREE")

SEMI-FINAL TIES in both the Senior and Junior Shield competitions will attract most attention in the week-end soccer programme and all four games should produce football worth watching.

TO-DAY'S RUGBY

Two Rugby matches are down for decision on the Police ground, Boundary Street, Kowloon, to-day. At 3 p.m. Club "A" will meet a United Services team and at 4.15 p.m. Police will clash with Volunteers, who are fielding a very useful team and who should win.

Following are two of the teams: VOLUNTEERS—Thompson; D. Hynes; Aikenhead, Hutchison and Bosanquet; Thompson and Henderson; Macrae, Burford, Walkden, B. Hynes, Needham, Kennedy, Taylor and Redman.

Reserves—Carruthers and Day. CLUB "A"—Lavelle; Van Leeuwen, Bigwell, Day and Carruthers; Charter and Morgan; Heasman, Caddleton, Wanklyn, Hackett, Stout, Richardson, Dunnett and Godfrey.

DOCTORS WITHDRAW

The Doctors are unable to field a side in the Seven-A-Side Rugby Tournament, which starts on Monday, and 5th A.A. are entering a "B" team to fill the vacancy.

Following are 5th A.A. teams: "A"—Gnr. Sutcliffe; L/Hdr. Giblin and Gnr. Mulligan; Gnr. Dobbins; Capt. Mills (captain), Bomdr. Evens and Gnr. Mulren. "B"—Bomdr. Selway; T/Lt. Banner (captain) and L/Sgt. Salisbury; Gnr. Owens; Gnr. Clarke; L/Bomdr. New and Gnr. Barnes.

Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY

Following will represent Y.M.C.A. at hockey this afternoon:

1st XI against Kumaon Rifles ("Y", 4.15 p.m.):—Benwell; Taylor and Tomlinson; Kempton, Pennington and Coombe; Smith, Gemmell, White, Eslay and Bates.

2nd XI against Kumaon Rifles (Marina, 4.15 p.m.):—Colledge; Killen and Grant; Ireson, Gilchrist and Broch; Stone, Dormer, Corser, Spare and Banks.

VARSITY SPORTS

The Annual Athletic Meeting of Hong Kong University will be held this afternoon at 1.30 p.m. at Pokfulam.

This afternoon, Eastern, one of last year's semi-finalists, meet South China "B" at Causeway Bay and should enter the Final Round.

Eastern have beaten South China "B" twice in the League though on the last occasion they were somewhat lucky to get through by the odd goal in three.

Eastern have been looking forward eagerly to this engagement and have rested a number of players for it. Tsang Chung-wan and Kong Sing-keng will again be turning out at back, while Lee Tak-kee will lead the attack.

South China will have Lam Tak-po in the pivotal position assisted by Yeung Kai-po and Kwok Ying-kee. This intermediate line with Hau Yung-sung and Yuen She as backs should be able to hold Eastern's forwards but unless the South China forwards can get going it is feared that they will not be able to check the Eastern attack entirely.

ENGINEERS OUT FOR BLOOD! Engineers, smarting from the defeat in the first game of the play off of the Second Division Championship will be all out to secure this title. Moxham, Shaw and Fox will be playing and these players are far above Junior Division standard.

Tomorrow, South China "A", holders, meet Police, last year's runners-up on Club ground. With the exception of Fung King-cheong, who is injured, the Chinese are fielding their best side. Lau Tai-man will be seen on the left wing with Ip Pak-wah as his inside forward.

Police have not been impressive as a team but with methods peculiar to themselves have upset good teams this season—as the Middlesex in the second Round.

Police juniors, who reach the semi-final of the junior competition for the first time, fancy their chances against 30th Royal Artillery.

Hope, the cricketer, will probably be playing, as may also Brittain, former senior pivot.

POSTPONED GAMES

Advantage will be taken to play off several postponed games and Kowloon, who are still in the running for the runners-up position, meet Middlesex with their first full team for a long time.

In the early part of the season the Third Division game between Service Corps and International would be worth watching but the latter have now lost all interest in the League and will be handicapped by the absence of Aquino, Omar and others who are still on the injured list.

A good game should be witnessed between Royal Scots and 24th R.A. at Sookunpoo. Both teams are evenly matched; a loss of even one point by Battery will give the championship to Service Corps.

The following is the week-end football programme:

TO-DAY

Senior Shield Semi-Final
Eastern v S. China "B"
(Causeway Bay, at 4.00 p.m.).
Junior Shield Semi-Final
S. China "A" v Engineers
(Causeway Bay, at 2.15 p.m.).
First Division
Kowloon v Middlesex
(Kowloon, at 4.30 p.m.).
Club v Navy
(Club, at 4.30 p.m.).

Third Division

Kumaons v 12th R.A.
(Kowloon, at 3.00 p.m.).
R.A.S.C. v International
(Club, at 3.00 p.m.).
Royal Scots v 24th R.A.
(Sookunpoo, at 3.00 p.m.).
Engineers v Signals
(Military, at 3.00 p.m.).
R.A.M.C. v South China
(St. Joseph's, at 3.00 p.m.).
5th R.A. v Electric
(St. Joseph's, at 4.30 p.m.).

TO-MORROW

Senior Shield Semi-Final
Police v S. China "A"
(Club, at 4.00 p.m.).
Junior Shield Semi-Final
30th R.A. v Police
(Club, at 2.15 p.m.).

RAPIER'S SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY

RACE NO. 1
ROSE EVELYN
PORTRUSH
WILBER

Outsider:—Golden Cow.

RACE NO. 2
DUPONT BAY
POSSIBLE
WHITE DIAMOND

Outsider:—Distinctive Time.

RACE NO. 3
VANITY FAIR
ASCOT DAY
FRANKLIN

Outsider:—Pumelo.

RACE NO. 4
GALAXY
RED FEATHER
ROB ROY

Outsider:—Rose Emily.

RACE NO. 5
DEVONIAN
CRIFFEL
WINFIED

Outsider:—Tornado Star.

RACE NO. 6
EXPANSION TIME
JOBER
ROSE FIANA

Outsider:—Gladiator.

RACE NO. 7
ALBURY
SEA JAY
SPRING SHINE

Outsider:—Busylight.

RACE NO. 8
BOOLAT BAY
ROSE-QUEEN
GALVESTON BAY

Outsider:—Commencement Bay.

RACE NO. 9
A ROARING TIME
HAPPY LANDINGS
PUMPERNICKEL

Outsider:—Rising Star.

DAILY DOUBLE: DEVONIAN AND ALBURY.

SEVERE TEST FOR POLICE TO-DAY

(By "ADREM")

THERE IS ONLY one senior cricket match on the programme for to-day and, as it involves Kowloon Cricket Club, who have already won the championship, it will not evoke a great deal of interest.

Nevertheless, K.C.C. will be all out to finish off their League season with a win against their old rivals, Indian Recreation Club. The champions will be far from at full strength as they will be without their captain, E. C. Fincher, still suffering from the injury sustained to his thumb against Recreio, N. D. Lloyd, who is at camp, and G. C. Burnett and N. A. E. Mackay, who are unavailable owing to work.

The inclusion of three youngsters in F. J. Lay, B. D. Lay and L. R. Burch should lend strength to the attack, however.

THE JUNIORS

Recreio, team in the best position for the junior championship, have not a fixture but two of their rivals in Craigenower and Police will be in action. The former should have little difficulty against R. A. F. but the latter will have a difficult task to beat K. C. C. on the latter's ground.

Army, a powerful batting side, should beat Civil Service at the Valley.

TEAMS

Senior
K.C.C.:—D. J. N. Anderson, E. F. Fincher, R. E. Lee, A. Zimmermann, W. L. Rapley, D. Hung, T. A. Madur, F. J. Fay, B. D. Lay, L. R. Burch and A. N. Other. Umpire—H. Overy; Scorer—R. Leigh.

Junior
Army:—Capt. J. F. Lawrence (Captain), Brigadier T. MacLeod, Major J. E. Swyer, Lieut. A. W. F. Peal, Lieut. B. A. Fergus, S/Cdr. Gardner, Cpl. Blount, Cpl. Boocock, Pte. Emmerson, Pte. Hatfield, Gnr. Barsby. Police:—C. Pope (Capt.), A. E. Carey, J. L. Stephens, W. L. Clarke, P. H. Loughlin, T. R. Hunter, H. Danbrowsky, F. Forrest, A. Kirby, J. Lewis and A. Estell. Reserve:—F. Fyffe.

C.S.C.C.:—H. E. Strange (Capt.), G. Ainslie, E. W. Hamilton, P. D. Crawley, K. J. Attwell, V. C. Bond, T. L. Lockhart, G. P. Stone, H. F. Harper, A. F. Sheppard and J. F. MacGowan.

C.C.C.:—B. R. Iranee (Capt.), N. Broadbridge, A. B. Hamson, A. Hung, C. W. Lam, J. W. Leonard, T. Lock, A. M. Omar, U. M. Omar, W. K. Way and J. L. Youngsaye. Umpire—W. MacNeill; Scorer—W. Broadbridge.

K.C.C.:—W. Mulcahy, S. A. Gray, E. Curtis, G. A. Goodban, K. M. Baxter, R. T. Broadbridge, G. E. Taylor, R. A. J. Simpson, R. Baldwin, H. Brokenshire and J. R.

PROGRAMME

FIRST DIVISION	
I. R. C.	v K. C. C.
SECOND DIVISION	
K. C. C.	v Police
C. C. C.	v R. A. F.
C. S. C. C.	v Army
FRIENDLY	
H. K. C. C.	v C. C. C.
D. B. S.	v H. K. C. C.

Luke, Umpire—J. P. Robinson; Scorer—T. W. Carr.

FRIENDLY

Seniors
H.K.C.C.:—T. A. Pearce (Capt.), Surg. Lt.-Comdr. W. G. Finnie, J. H. Hox, M. F. L. Haymes, H. Owen Hughes, A. K. MacKenzie, D. McLellan, J. L. C. Pearce, A. E. Perry, J. E. Richardson and E. W. Stout. C.C.C.:—E. Zimmermann (Capt.), P. J. Blumoria, E. J. M. Churn, A. R. H. Esmail, A. J. Huise, A. K. Ismail, E. A. Lee, W. Hong Sling, G. Souza, G. Winch and A. N. Other. Umpire—G. Ladd; Scorer—H. W. Randall.

Junior
H.K.C.C.:—R. S. W. Paterson (Capt.), C. W. E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, G. P. Charlton, C. G. Godfrey, D. O. Parsons, J. E. Potter, D. S. Robb, L. C. Smith, T. M. Sulter and I. P. Tamworth.

VOLUNTEER TEAM

The following will represent the Volunteers at Cricket against K.C.C. to-morrow at the K.C.C. Ground commencing at 11.30 a.m.:

A. E. Perry (Captain), D. O. Parsons, F. R. Zimmermann, E. Zimmermann, G. G. Aitkenhead, K. M. Baxter, M. F. L. Haymes, W. S. Gegg, I. P. Tamworth, F. E. Lawrence and A. N. Other.

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With S. P. Chan and W. C. Chung in irresistible form, King's College beat Kowloon Tong on the latter's court in a "B" Division League badminton match last night.

The winners led 2-1 after the first round and 4-2 after the second and were never in any real difficulty, although if Castro and Stephens had beaten King's third string pair Lo and Lam in the eighth game of the evening, as it appeared likely they would at one stage, King's would have had some anxious moments.

Woo and Lui played well in two of their games but fell away in their last, B. P. C. Fletcher and N. A. E. Mackay (K. Tong).

beat H. T. Woo and K. L. Lui 21-9
beat K. H. Lo and T. Lam 21-10
lost to S. P. Chan and W. C. Chung 15-21
R. E. Lee and A. Chan (K. Tong) 13-21
lost to Woo and Lui 21-11
beat Lo and Lam 6-21
lost to Chan and Chung 12-21
J. L. Stephens and A. E. H. Castro (K. Tong) 12-21
lost to Woo and Lui 16-21
lost to Lo and Lam 12-21
lost to Chan and Chung 12-21

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4234.	Junction of Prince Edward Road and Argyle Street.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 21,500	\$246	\$16,125
			As per sale plan						



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			N.	S.	E.	W.			
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4235.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 2980 & 4023, Stirling Road.	n.	n.	n.	n.	About 14,000	\$150	\$7,000
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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4236.	Boundary Street between Sai Yeung Choi Street & Tung Choi Street, Mongkok.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 8,270	\$152	\$18,603
			As per Sale Plan						



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of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of March, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, Commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in Square feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2769.	Junction of Fuk Wing Street & Castle Peak Road, Cheung Sha Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	About 11,800	\$162	\$7,080
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PERMANENT ALLIED INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL

London, To-day.

A PERMANENT ANGLO-FRENCH Industrial Council, under the joint chairmanship of Colonel Lord Dudley Gordon and M. Rene Duchemin, has been formed. The Council has been formed under the agreement reached as the result of the discussions in London between the organisation representing French industry and the Federation of British Industries for the purpose of promoting the common interests of both countries in the export markets of the world.

FORCE OPEN THE PETSAMO PORT

(Continued from Page 1)
simultaneously by the Finns might well be precarious.
"If there are any difficulties, they are not military but political and diplomatic."

Several papers suggest increased Franco-British assistance, and more than one proposes direct Allied intervention.—Reuter.

Swedish Denial

London, To-day.

Rome radio says that according to an unconfirmed report the Finnish Foreign Minister, M. Tanner, is now in Berlin.

The report adds it seems certain that M. Svinhufvud, ex-President of Finland, had a conversation with an important German personage last night.

Meanwhile the Swedish Legation in London has issued a categorical denial that the Swedish Government is exercising any kind of pressure on the Finnish Government in Finland's talks

The agreement provides that two organisations shall undertake to promote agreements between individual industries in their respective countries, designed to encourage co-operation, eliminate uneconomic competition and maintain such a price level in the respective export markets as will ensure the development of consumption.

Such agreements will be designed as a permanent feature of Anglo-French economic relations.

In order to develop the export trade in wartime the two organisations will recommend to their respective governments that in suitable cases the productive capacity at present allotted to armaments in one country should be released for the export trade of that country, by the importation of armaments so displaced from the other country.—Reuter.

with the Soviet.—Reuter.

London Unofficial View: Finland Must Reject

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Swedish mediation in the Russo Finnish conflict holds the spotlight in the (Continued on Next Col.)

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Chungking, To-day.

Reports alleging that the Chinese Foreign Ministry and the British Ambassador had reached an agreement concerning the Tientsin silver issue elicited categorical denials from both the British envoy and the Chinese Foreign Office last night.

Sir Archibald Clark-Kerr declared to Reuter: "The report alleging that the Chinese Foreign Ministry and myself had reached an agreement concerning the Tientsin silver problem is untrue."

An equally emphatic denial was issued by the Chinese Foreign Office. To Reuter the official spokesman stated: "The report is entirely untrue."

Commenting on the suggestion that the report may be "premature," it is pointed out here that the reported agreement may not take place at all.—Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

Nicolas Zoller, captain of the Hungarian freighter Nyugat, was fined 500 yen in the Tokyo district court for violation of the Shipping Law and the Military Secrets Act.

It was alleged that Capt. Zoller had caused the ship to enter a closed port.—Reuter.

press, most newspapers agreeing that Finland would have no alternative but to reject the Russian conditions.

The newspapers stress it would be to Germany's interest to see the conflict come to a speedy end.

"A patched up peace would be a diplomatic victory for Hitler. He does not want the Russian resources wasted in a lesser adventure," declares the "Daily Mail."

"The tie-up of Russia in Finland is a great advantage to Britain and France," the newspaper adds.

A WARNING

Analysing the situation the "Daily Mail" states neither of the Allied countries can take the responsibility of urging Finland to continue resistance because the help promised by many countries was insufficient to stem the Russian tide.

The journal concludes by warning that "if Hitler mediates successfully he will be installed as the friend and protector of Scandinavia."—Havas.

The draft of the War Revenue Ordinance which is to be given its first reading at next Thursday's meeting of Legislative Council, is published with various slight alterations to the original text, in the "Government Gazette."

One of the most important changes is that the name of the "Board of Inland Revenue" is altered to the "Board of War Taxation," to avoid confusion with any permanent department.

Another makes it clear that it is not intended to permit the owner of property to pass the Property Tax on to the tenant.

The words "and borne by" have been added to the first clause dealing with the Property Tax.

It is also made clear that the Property Tax is on the rateable value. The original phrase, "net annual value" was liable to be confusing.

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry last night announced: "In the course of reconnaissance and petrol operations carried out yesterday by aircraft of the Bomber and Coastal Command of the R.A.F., three enemy patrol vessels near Borkum were attacked with bombs. A bombing attack was also made last night on a naval auxiliary vessel near Sylt."

Two enemy Heinkel aircraft encountered over the North Sea during the day were engaged and were seen to be hit. As already reported, patrols from the Fighter Command brought down a Heinkel east of Aberdeen and another off the North coast of Scotland.—British Wireless.

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